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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Meeting with Representative Carl Vinson

1. This memorandum is for information only.
2. Mr. Robert Smart, Chief Counsel, House Committee on Armed Services, called to advise that Representative Carl Vinson, Chairman of the CIA Subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee, would like to have the usual briefing from the Director on the world-wide intelligence situation. Mr. Vinson left for Georgia on 3 December and will return to Washington on the 16th of December.
3. Some difficulty was encountered in attempting to fix a mutually acceptable date and eventually Mr. Smart suggested that since both Mr. Vinson and Mr. Arends will be in Washington during the week of December 16, that the briefing occur during this period. He felt this would be satisfactory in view of the proposed briefing of the full Armed Services Committee which is discussed below.
4. Mr. Vinson announced publicly on 4 December that the House Armed Services Committee would conduct an inquiry into the U. S. defense program as the first order of business. Through Mr. Smart he has requested that you appear as the first witness before the full membership of the Committee. Mr. Vinson recognized the difficulties involved but requested that you give the matter careful consideration. Presumably he will discuss this with you during the meeting in the week of December 16. The full membership is listed on the attachment.

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Legislative Counsel

Attachment

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